

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
AT CHATTANOOGA**

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| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | ) |  |
|                          | ) | Case No. 1:17-cr-5                     |
| v.                       | ) |  |
|                          | ) | Judge Travis R. McDonough              |
| TIMOTHY LITCHFORD        | ) |  |
|                          | ) | Magistrate Judge Christopher H. Steger |
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**ORDER**

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U.S. Magistrate Judge Christopher H. Steger filed a report and recommendation (Doc. 23) recommending that the Court: (1) grant Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea as to Count One of the two-count Indictment; (2) accept Defendant's guilty plea as to Count One of the two-count Indictment; (3) adjudicate the Defendant guilty of conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute five hundred (grams or more of a mixture and substance containing methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(A) and 846; and (4) order that Defendant remain in custody until sentencing in this matter. Neither party filed a timely objection to the report and recommendation. After reviewing the record, the Court agrees with Magistrate Judge Steger's report and recommendation. Accordingly, the Court **ACCEPTS** and **ADOPTS** the magistrate judge's report and recommendation (Doc. 23) pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty plea as to Count One of the two-count Indictment is **GRANTED**;

2. Defendant's plea of guilty to Count One of the two-count Indictment is  
**ACCEPTED;**
3. Defendant is hereby **ADJUDGED** guilty of conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute five hundred grams or more of a mixture and substance containing methamphetamine, a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1), 841(b)(1)(A) and 846; and
4. Defendant **SHALL REMAIN** in custody until sentencing in this matter which is scheduled to take place on **October 6, 2017**, at **9:00 a.m.** before the undersigned.

**SO ORDERED.**

*/s/Travis R. McDonough*

**TRAVIS R. MCDONOUGH  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**